



## CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
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**RICHARD J. ROSS, JR.**  
Commissioner

January 11, 2019

Mr. Michael Dank  
67030-78873830@requests.muckrock.com

RE: Pennsylvania Right-To-Know Act (RTKA) Request

Dear Mr. Dank:

Your Pennsylvania Right-To-Know Act request dated 01-06-19 was received by this office on 01-07-19 for:

1. Number, if any, of Facial Recognition software of Facial Recognition-enabled equipment in place with this department or agency. Please specify if software has been purchased or if services are performed by outside contractors for the department or agency. Please include pilot or testing programs within the scope of this request.
2. Any documents or correspondence during the period encompassing this request regarding possible or planned acquisition of Facial Recognition software packages, Facial Recognition-enabled equipment or service agreements.
3. Any existing or proposed usage policies regarding the use of Facial Recognition software or Facial Recognition-enabled equipment, including protocols, training documents, data storage procedures and prohibited activities.
4. Any current or past litigation involving or referencing this department or agency involving the use of Facial Recognition software or Facial Recognition enabled equipment.

Your request was reviewed and the Department is asserting its right to an additional 30 days (as provided by Section 902 of the Act) to process this request. This right is asserted for the following reasons:

- a. to ascertain if the requested record does exist,
- b. for legal review to determine whether the record(s) is a record(s) subject to access under the Act,
- c. to determine if the request requires the redaction of a public record(s),
- d. for bona fide staffing limitations (in retrieving and reviewing the record(s) requested), and
- e. the requester refuses to pay applicable fees authorized by this act.

You will be contacted within 30 days of the mailing date of this letter.

**FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lt. Barry Jacobs #97". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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